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- 1. Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98, and in compliance with CFR §1.56, the Office's attention is directed to the patents, pending applications, publications and other information listed on the attached PTO-1449. A copy of each listed document is enclosed. Applicant(s) make no admission that the enclosed documents are prior art to the present invention.
 - 2. Regarding each listed document that is not in the English language, an English-language translation accompanies this Statement as indicated on the attached PTO-1449 or a corresponding U.S. Patent is enclosed or a concise explanation of the relevance of the document is set forth on an attached sheet.

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- 6. Concise Explanation (if needed):
 - (1) \boxtimes Below is a Concise Statement of Relevance of enclosed non-English language document(s).

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Foreign Patents Relevance

DE 197 43 626 A1	Discloses an inflatable vehicle occupant protection device with inflatable chambers.
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English document

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Respectfully submitted,

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